(*Hence the following resolution and the accompanying amendment to it of Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan were considered withdrawn:—*

"*This Council requests the Government to take immediate steps for starting a Land-Mortgage Bank*".

(*For 'a Land-Mortgage Bank', substitute the words 'Land-Mortgage Banks at convenient centres'.*)

10. Director of Industries.

Deputy President.—Now we shall pass on to the next resolution.

Mr. C. J. Mathew.—Sir, I rise to move the resolution "*that this Council recommends to the Government that a Director of Industries be appointed at once to look after the industrial concerns of the State.*"

When a resolution to appoint a Superintendent of Industries was considered during the Special Finance Committee session, the mover did not sufficiently make it clear that there was no necessity at all for a Director of Industries to possess expert knowledge in the different kinds of industries. Last time it was discussed on the basis that he should have all the qualifications required for the head of a technological institute. My present attempt is to show that it is a Director with real business instinct in him that we want and not one who is an expert in industries. In the report of the Industrial Commission (p. 66) it is stated as follows:—

"Their most important conclusions were that the headship of a technological institute should be separated from the Directorship of Industries owing to the fact that a scientist was required for the former and a man of general industrial and economic knowledge with a business instinct for the latter, and the truth that the science of directing and organising industrial concerns can only be learned by experience and not in technological institutes however elaborate their equipment may be."

So an Industries Director does not require any technical knowledge at all. What we want is "special knowledge and instinct for business," and on page 141 of the same report the special qualifications needed for a Director are also mentioned.

"These include, in the first place, the capacity of appreciating the technical features of industries in their bearing on commercial possibilities and the ability to form conclusions as to the soundness of a scheme worked out by a technical expert; the power of organisation, familiarity with the practical handling of economical questions and local knowledge. If such a man be also an expert in any industrial branch, this will be a good advantage. Men of the above type may be found either in Government service or among the commercial community. Officials

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will probably be somewhat deficient in their appreciation of the business aspect of industrial proposition and in their capacity for business management."

Our State has failed more or less in conducting properly every one of the industries attempted, and it is high time that these industrial concerns are managed better and made a model by men with an industrial turn of mind in Cochin. If that were to be done, we require the services of an Industrial Director badly.

I do not say that our Director of Public Instruction, who is now looking after the industries of the State, is incompetent. He is overloaded with work and he has hardly any time to work up the industrial development of the State. It is time to give the charge over our industries to another man possessed of all the qualifications according to the report.

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—I should lik to correct the Hon'ble Member. I am not looking after all the industrial concerns of the State.

Mr. C. J. Mathew.—If there is any Member who is reported to be looking after the industries in the State, it is the Director of Public Instruction. He is in charge of the Industrial Schools also.

Deputy President.—He starts only Industrial Schools.

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—The Chief Engineer is in charge of the Potteries and Tanneries.

Mr. C. J. Mathew.—Very well. That makes no difference. Let us now appoint a business man in sole charge over our industries. It is stated in the Industrial Commission Report, that no town can thrive in industries unless there is a Director for that work with good experience in business.

Mr. A. B. Salem.—Sir, I rise to a point of order. Under Rule 35 (d), a resolution once discussed and dropped by the Council should not be brought again before this House before the expiry of one year. The identical question was discussed in this House during the Special Session. I have a very good grievance since several of my resolutions have been disallowed on that account.

Deputy President.—Of course that is not seconded.

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar.—It was discussed during one of the meetings of this Council.

Mr. A. B. Salem.—Within the space of one year, a resolution which is identical with the one already moved shall not be brought here for discussion. If it is ruled that it is a different proposition, then I have no quarrel. It was discussed in

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the Kanni Session and this resolution is substantially identical.

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—I think it is true, Sir. The same proposition was moved once.

Mr. C. J. Mathew.—I don't think that it is substantially identical.

Deputy President.—I think it is substantially the same. I rule it out.

11. Publication of Marriages.

Deputy President.—The next resolution is that of Mr. C.A. Kunjunni Raja that "*this Council recommends that rules framed by the Government requiring the publication of marriages under the Nayar Regulation in the Government Gazette be deleted.*"

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—I do not move the resolution, Sir.

(*Hence it was considered withdrawn.*)

12. Administration Reports.

Deputy President.—The next resolution is in the name of Mr. K. T. Mathew. The Member is absent.

(*Hence the following resolution was considered withdrawn:—*

"*This Council requests the Government to publish annually Administration Reports of all the Departments and supply the Members of the Legislative Council with a copy of all such reports.*")

13. Committee on Kole Cultivation.

Mr. C. Barton Wright.—Mr. President, Sir, the resolution which stands in my name reads as follows :—

"*That this Council recommends to the Government that a committee consisting of the Diwan Peishkar, the Chief Engineer, the Agricultural Superintendent and three non-official Members of this House be appointed to take evidence on the subject of kole cultivation in the State, and that some definite action be taken to improve the present system by remedying all the defects at present existing, and taking into consideration the suggestion in the reports submitted by the Committee as well as private kole cultivators*".

Hon'ble Members will be aware that in the time of Diwan Mr. (now Sir) T. Vijayaraghavacharia a Committee was appointed to go into the question of *kole* cultivation. The report of the Committee was submitted in the course of a year. Its principal recommendation was to take up the investigation of the Chalakkudi scheme by which the waters of the Chalakkudi river would be diverted by a dam constructed at a point near Echippara and turned on into the bed of the Trichur Lake. Orders were then passed accepting the recommendation and

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